SENATE BILL 141

By Tate

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 3, Chapter 6, relative to lobbying officials of the legislative branch.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 3-6-304, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection:

No employer of a lobbyist, lobbyist, or any person acting at the specific direction of an employer of a lobbyist or lobbyist shall knowingly send a text message or place a telephone call to an official of the legislative branch while the official is participating in a legislative committee meeting or floor session, except in response to a prior request by the official.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015, the public welfare requiring it.